

THE FORTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS.

The Senate.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Among the petitions presented was one by Mr. Hoar, from Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, praying Congress to see that the votes cast for her in the late Presidential election be counted.

Mr. Van Wyck, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported favorably, with amendments, the House bill to prevent unlawful occupancy of public lands. The principal amendment proposed is to authorize the President to use the civil and military forces to remove and destroy illegal fences.

The debate in the Senate on Hawley's resolution (regarding the documents filed recently by General Sherman) was continued at some length and became pretty warm ere it closed. The participants, in addition to Senators Hawley, Harris, George and Vest, were Senators Sherman, Ingalls, Morgan, Conner and Lamar.

The hour of 2 o'clock arriving, the matter went over till to-morrow, and the Chair laid formally before the Senate the unfinished legislative business, being the Interstate Commerce bill, but this yielded to a motion for the consideration of executive business.

The Naval bill just passed by the House was first, however, laid before the Senate, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A joint resolution providing for the meeting of both Houses in joint convention on February 11, to count the electoral vote was laid before the Senate, and referred to the Committee of Privileges and Elections.

After executive session the Senate adjourned.

The House.

A number of private bills were passed this morning.

Mr. Holman introduced a bill to appropriate \$75,000 for a public building at Madison, Ind.

Mr. McCauley offered a resolution calling upon the Postmaster General for his opinion whether the eight hour law applies to letter carriers. The House then proceeded to consider the business relating to the District of Columbia.

A bill passed authorizing the Judge of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia to appoint a competent lawyer to prepare a criminal code for the District. [The report which accompanies this bill says "the laws of England prior to July 4, 1776, and the laws of Maryland, as they existed February 27, 1801, constitute the body of laws for the punishment of crime in this District. There is no penalty for incest; adultery escapes with the slight penalty of 400 pounds of tobacco, while for kidnapping the law provides for a term of imprisonment with a hot iron. As in the day-time and at night are not differently punished. It was for a long time doubted whether the appalling crime of Galt was to be tried and punished in this District.]

Several other bills of local interest were passed. This completed the District business, and the House went into Committee of the Whole, with Wilson, of Connecticut, in the chair, on the Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill.

Mr. Hunt moved to restore to the \$3,500 class the consularship at Hankow, China, which in the bill had been placed in the \$1,500 class. In advocating this amendment Mr. Ryan called attention to the fact that a line of steamers were now running between Shanghai and Hankow under the American flag.

In response Mr. Barnes intimated that the steamers were sailed under the American flag, not because Americans cared or were interested in them, but for the purpose of protection during the French and Chinese war.

Mr. Reed inquired how foreigners could sail vessels under the American flag under our statutes.

Mr. Barnes replied he could not answer for the truth of the assertion, but the statement had gone the rounds of the press that vessels were sailed under the American flag for protection of interests not our own country.

Mr. Ryan said he would assume the transfer of these vessels to the American flag had been made in good faith till he should have some better evidence to the contrary than the newspapers.

Mr. Randall asked whether the transfer had not taken place immediately after the breaking out of the war between France and China.

Mr. Ryan could see in that circumstance no evidence of bad faith.

Mr. Curtis made a brief speech on the importance of increasing our foreign commerce, especially with the countries of South America, and advocated the strengthening and improving of the Consular service of the United States. He would not appoint as Consul a worn out politician, but would select the best men in the country, after civil service examination, and would not appoint any who could not speak the language of the country to which he had acceded.

Mr. Hill's motion was lost by 48 to 67. A point of order was made against the paragraph appropriating \$14,000 to meet the expenses attending the execution of neutrality acts, and the point was maintained by the Chair.

Mr. Cannon appealed from the decision, and being of the opinion that he had been treated unfairly by the Chair, he raised the point, but there was no quorum to sustain the Chair's decision. No quorum present. Adjourned.

Lafayette Skating Rinks—Purdue University Students.
LAFAYETTE, Ind., Jan. 11.—The directors of the two new skating rinks to be built met at the office of Mr. Levering Saturday afternoon to come to some understanding. Mr. Caldwell offered to build one rink of the two now in progress and divide the earnings among themselves, Mr. Caldwell assuming the management of both rinks. The opposite parties would not agree to this, but made the following proposition: To combine all three rinks, Mr. Caldwell be manager of all and receive 40 per cent of the net income. This did not agree with Mr. Caldwell again, and the matter was finally dropped. Both rinks will be built and the east and west rink continued. This is the beginning of the end.

Two Purdue students, Clarence Laid and Thomas Daily, from Rockport, this State, left the university mysteriously the other night for parts unknown. It is thought they have gone to the New Orleans Exposition. They feared not getting consent to go, and went of their own accord.

A Sensational Scene.

TORONTO, Jan. 12.—A sensation was created in the East King Street Methodist Church last night. The pastor, Rev. Kennedy Kreighner, chose for the first lesson Paul's conversation on the way to Damascus. He had just finished reading the words, "and he fell to the earth" when he was struck with paralysis and dropped unconscious in the pulpit. There is little hope of his recovery.

ry. He celebrated his golden wedding reception.

TRADE AND LABOR.

The Amalgamated Association Wins Their Strike at Struthers—Work Resumed.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 12.—The Youngstown, O., Chronicle telegraph special, says the strike at Struthers' Iron Works has ended favorably to the Amalgamated Association, and work was resumed this morning. A reduction of 10 per cent in the wages of all employees of the Maving Valley Mills, excepting those governed by yearly contracts, went into effect to-day.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 12.—Oliver Bros. & Phillips' South Side Mills are running as usual to-day. The firm withdrawing the notice of a reduction in wages so far as engineers, firemen, and "drag-downs" are concerned, but will reduce the wages of laborers 2½ per cent.

Seventy-five coal miners will leave this week to work in Saskatchewan mines situated in the province of Assiniboine, 800 miles west of Winnipeg.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 12.—The Allan Coal Company closed their mines, this morning, for an indefinite time. They employ 300 men. It is rumored among the coal operators here, this morning, that the Allegheny Valley Coal Company are about to shut down work in several of their collieries, which will throw 1,000 persons out of employment.

OBITUARY.

Dean of Harvard Scientific School.

BOSTON, Jan. 12.—Professor Henry Lawrence Estes, Dean of Harvard Scientific School, died at his residence in Cambridge yesterday, aged sixty-six. His health had been failing for two years past. A month ago his lungs being seriously affected, he was ordered to go South, but returned last Wednesday in a hopeless condition.

Richard P. Butler.

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 12.—Richard P. Butler died at Carrollton, Ky., in the ninety-third year of his age.

Gen. Grant's Health.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—General Grant's physician said last night, in response to inquiries in regard to the General's health: "General Grant consulted me, early in autumn, about a pain in the side of his tongue, which rendered it difficult for him to articulate and masticate his food. The General smoked cigars largely. This seemed to irritate the tongue. We restricted him to three cigars a day and he stopped smoking altogether. It was very remarkable that the change was not followed by any disturbance of the nervous system or the general irritation. He is improved locally, able to speak without pain, and his general appearance is improved in every respect. He is now occupied several hours a day in literary work, which he seems to enjoy. I think he is in better health than he has been since his accident a year ago. He is still lame from the injury to his thigh, which has left a great tenderness. He is unable to walk on account of pain and tenderness without the aid of a crutch or stick. There is nothing that would justify the assertion that he is seriously ill, and he is not in a critical condition."

A Narrow Escape.

CARMI, Ill., Jan. 12.—Yesterday afternoon lightning struck the Methodist Episcopal Church, making a wreck of the spire, cupola, and front of the building. About fifty persons were in the church, but, although several were in the vestibule, where the lightning tore the ceiling, splintered the door, and tore out the weather-boarding, no one was injured beyond being slightly shocked. Their escape seems almost miraculous.

Chicago Court House.

CHICAGO, Jan. 12.—Two weeks ago one of the heavy stone brackets of the court's portion of the Court house, affected by the frost, fell from its position carrying with it a portion of the second balcony of the building. Yesterday another bracket weighing 250 pounds fell, barely missing a pedestrian. The entire corner is declared to be in an extremely dangerous condition.

Losses by Fire.

YONKERS, N. Y., Jan. 12.—Early this morning fire was discovered in a four story brick building on Dock street, occupied by Reed & Carranck, manufacturing chemists, the Maltine Manufacturing Company and the New York Pharmaceutical Association. The building was entirely destroyed and other smaller buildings damaged. Loss over \$200,000; insurance light.

Murphy's Temperance Work.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 12.—A fund is being raised here to secure the permanent settlement of Francis Murphy as pastor of "The Church of Gospel Temperance." During the last week he has secured 18,000 signatures to the pledge in Pittsburgh.

New Jersey's New Treasurer.

TRENTON, Jan. 12.—Governor Abbott this morning appointed Ex-Senator Jonathan H. Blackwell, of this city, State Treasurer, in place of George M. Wright, deceased.

Onions can not be kept well in a damp cellar. The secret of keeping onions is to leave them thoroughly dry when they are put in the cellar, and keep them so. Also keep them cool. Onions that are not wanted until late winter or early spring may be stored in a dry loft and covered with a foot or more of hay or straw. In this position, if the weather is tolerably even, they will remain from all winter, and may be used as desired. They should not be thawed out until wanted.

Grains of all kinds, including every variety of trees and vegetables, are composed of certain gases, acids and dissolved mineral substances, which they absorb from the soil, together with a large per cent of carbonic acid inhaled from the air, which, by the acid of the direct action of the sun, is changed into carbon. The elements that make up each variety and order of vegetables differ in quantity and quality.

It is a great mistake to select a heavy clay soil for a garden. It is too cold and wet, and early crops can not be raised upon it. It would be better to abandon such a location than to attempt to improve it, if it is possible to do so, because it would cost too much to remedy the defects of such a soil. The course of treatment necessary would be to thoroughly underdrain it, to spade it over two feet deep.

The following is the weights of some of the prize fowls at the Birmingham (Eng.) show: Aylesbury ducks, 22 pounds per pair; Rowen ducks, 22 pounds 4 ounces per pair; Pekin ducks, 17 pounds 8 ounces per pair; geese, 49 pounds per pair; turkey-cocks (single), 34 pounds; turkey hens, 26 pounds.

A PITIFUL FATE.

How a Minister's Good Deed Landed Him in an Insane Asylum—The Story of His Escape.

To the Editor of the Milwaukee Sentinel:

SIR—I have read a good many stories of late concerning the confinement of sane persons in lunatic asylums, and I am therefore prompted to relate a bit of personal experience.

In the year 1855, while I was serving the Methodist Episcopal Church in a New England town, a neighbor's house took fire. In common with others, I stood on the edge of the roof, passing buckets of water, exposed to intense heat on one side and freezing winds on the other. I took a fearful cold. For twenty years I have had havoc in my physical and mental systems. Nevertheless, I continued in my ministerial duties. I preached many a sermon when suffering intense agony. At certain periods, however, I would be comparatively well, and then again, my head would get heavy, my breathing labored, my appetite sickly. I would lose interest in life, feel sleepy at mid-day and wakeful at midnight. My heart occasionally gave me great concern. Not knowing to the contrary, I attributed this ill feeling to malaria. But eventually mental strength faded away, and I was utterly prostrated. I was cauterized, cupped, blistered, and treated by many physicians in many different ways.

My case was a puzzle as much to my physicians as to myself. For one of them first prescribed for delirium tremens, and yet I never had tasted intoxicating liquors. Another said I had brain disease, another spinal difficulty, another nervous prostration, heart disease, etc.

My mind eventually gave way, and in 1862 I was confined in the Brattleboro, Vt. Insane Asylum for six months. When I knew where I was, I demanded instant release. I then made a visit to Oceanic, N. J., but I had reckoned too much on my strength. I again lost my reason for a considerable period.

That I was in a desperate condition is evident. My blood had become infected with virus, which inflamed my brain occasionally and doomed me to an early death. No physician gave me any hope of a cure. I finally found out what my real disorder was, and undertook my own treatment. In a few months I was restored to such a state of health as I never expected to enjoy. That was over three years ago, and my physical and mental health have remained intact to this day.

Last March I came West and engaged in garden farming. In all that time I have not lost a day's work; have apparently enjoyed the most vigorous health, and I expect to live the full term of life. The remedy I used was Warner's Safe Cure, and it is I should live a thousand years I should never tire of telling its praises.

You will confess with me, Mr. Editor, that such a cure is remarkable; and you will also, I am sure, agree with me when I say that whatever created such a mental and physical restoration is deserving the highest praise. Very truly yours,

Rev. E. D. HOPKINS.

Dodge County, Wis.

There are undoubtedly thousands who have an experience similar to the above, to whom Mr. Hopkins' recital will appeal with persuasive force.

INTERESTING TO WOMEN.

TURKISH BATHS are popular for slender figures.

Black jerseys are worn with black skirts of any fabric.

Fur-lined circulars have the high effect on the shoulders.

Tan and ruby are to be the favorite colors in the spring.

Flowered cashmeres have designs in beautiful soft and pale colors.

Black surah is used for home wear, and is trimmed with jet velvet or lace.

Plain and broadened foulards are trimmed with Spanish lace dyed to match the silk.

Skirts trimmed with deep flounces of lace have only a narrow plaiting at the bottom.

Poplin, in wool and silk, will be fashionable again; it will be plain, figured and checked.

Basques of striped goods have cuffs, collar, one wide reverse, and broad basques of solid colored velvet.

Many of the new handkerchiefs are very unique. Some of them are composed of pure Irish linen, and have deep borders, striped with fine hemstitching.

A remarkably beautiful opera cloak is made of bronze brocade velvet lined with very pale blue watered silk. The cloak is cut in the shape of a long, graceful mantle, with large sleeves.

A dress that was greatly admired in London is made of dove-colored tulle. It is an evening toilet, and has a short skirt, plaited in fine knots. It is worn with a low-necked round waist made of dove-colored satin, with bias folds of the tulle around the shoulders.

A handkerchief design has a center of grass linen, very sheer, in white and delicate tints of pink, blue, gold and ecru, with borders hand-embroidered with representations of birds and domestic animals, while others have fruit and floral designs in exquisite workmanship.

A mohair cloth dress is trimmed with fine red and black braid. The close-fitting bodice is pointed in front, and has a habit-shaped back with fan plaits. The braiding is worked with great skill, decreasing in width to the waist, so that the lines of the figure, while strictly preserved, are lengthened and thereby improved; the skirt has long kilts about four inches wide, and three smaller ones ranged at the side.

A set of bridesmaids' dresses of tinted and spotted mull, recently seen, were exceedingly pretty. The full skirts had long, wide box plaits, which, though flat, did not look at all stiff, a pretty and novel effect being produced by two "train" rows of narrow satin ribbon. These passed around a few inches apart, and arrayed near the edge of the skirt, held the plaits firmly together, but gave an appearance of lightness and grace to the portion which stood out below all bordered with fine oriental lace. The overskirts were draped with that indescribable aspect of studied carelessness which good taste alone can attain, and here and there among them were muslin festoons hung clusters of cream satin loops. The bebe bodices had plain satin bands at the waist, and from the neck hung long jabots of lace and long loops with bouquets of Marguerites.

"So far, so good," said the boy, after eating the stolen tart. After reviewing the thousands and tens of thousands of colds and coughs that have been conquered by Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, we can readily say, so far, so good.

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A THRILLING STORY.

As Told by a Merchant in Troy, N. Y.—A Surgical Operation Avoided—How a Father, Wife and Daughter Escaped a Fatal Doom.

OF the hundreds of accounts of remarkable cures wrought by Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, none have appeared so purely convincing as the following: The persons mentioned are among the most highly respected in the city of Troy, and the story as told by the father will prove interesting to all our readers.

TROY, N. Y.

Dr. Kennedy, Resident, N. Y.

Dear Sir—My daughter was afflicted with a severe growth of fungus. To remove it we had resorted to almost every remedy and consulted the most prominent surgeons and physicians. Dr. of Troy, said that a surgical operation would be necessary, but fearing fatal results I hesitated. Some of the physicians claimed that it was caused by some thing and some by another. The fungus was prominent and disfigured her looks. Having heard of Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, we procured a bottle of the same and determined to try it, to see if this medicine could do what doctors had failed to do and surgeons had hardly dared to undertake. I can say in truth the result of this trial was the complete cure of my daughter of this dreadful malady. Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy alone effected it. We used nothing else for other things had completely failed. My daughter to-day enjoys vigorous health, and to Favorite Remedy alone is the credit due. My wife also was very poor in health, due to liver difficulty with which she had suffered a long time until she became very much reduced in flesh. A trial of Kennedy's Favorite Remedy has resulted in the complete restoration of her health, when she had not enjoyed for years. She had gained in flesh and strength, and thus secured perfect health, and this is due entirely to Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. As for myself, being engaged in the grocery and commission business, which makes it necessary for me to test the quality of different articles, like butter, etc., my sense of taste and my stomach were seriously injured. Everything seemed to nauseate me, and I suffered from dyspepsia in its most severe form. I tried Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. The first bottle effected immediate relief, and from that day to this I can say that Favorite Remedy has restored me to perfect health. The facts which I claim prove that Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is the best medicine in the world for those afflicted with the above difficulties. If any one in the city of Troy doubts the truth of these statements let him come to me and I will prove them. I have recommended Favorite Remedy to hundreds and with the same good results.

Yours, etc., WILLIAM WINDSOR.

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